IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Ellen M. Heath et al.

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Examiner : Eric Olson

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Office Action dated December 4, 2008, please extend the period of time for response three months, to expire on June 4, 2009. Enclosed are a Petition for an Extension of Time and the requisite fee. Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.